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TRUMAN ORDERS CLARK TO SEEK COAL WRIT

U. S. Troops Bar 2 Red Generals And 20 Other Russian Officials From Encircled Berlin Building

56-Car American Train Arrives in City With Supplies

By the Associated Press
BERLIN, April 3.—The United States Army, counterattacking Russian restrictions in Berlin, turned back two Soviet generals and 20 other Russians today from a railroad administration building which the Russians occupy in the American sector of the city.

Fifty American military policemen barred entrance to all but the 1,100 Germans employed in the building. Some Russian officers remained inside the offices, and the American guards permitted the Russians to bring food for them.

The railroad building, near the border of the American-Soviet sectors, has been occupied by the Russians under a 1945 agreement. Similarly, the Russians occupy the Berlin radio station in the British zone. The American guards bore side arms and carbines.

Red Guards Reported Sent In

Col. Frank L. Howley, head of the American Military Government in Berlin, said the American move was made because Russians in recent nights sent guards to the building after nightfall. The Russians claimed a new guard had been put in the building because of reports that criminal German elements were planning to destroy records there.

Soviet Gen. Alexander Kotokov protested that the American move frightened German citizens in the neighborhood and inconvenienced Russian officers.

Gen. Lucius D. Clay ordered a road block across a thoroughfare leading to Potsdam, home of many Russians with offices in Berlin. The block was set up at 11 a.m. and was to remain in force until 3 p.m. Only vehicles coming from Potsdam were stopped. The first Russian car to approach the block turned back before reaching it, and German civilians said the Russians were stopping all Berlin-bound Soviet traffic.

Road Block Unexplained

No explanation of the road block was offered by American authorities. The Russians two days ago set up blocks between their sector and the three Western sectors, but the blocks were removed the same day. The roadblock, however, created much less stir than the American military guard around the Soviet railroad building. Russians drove up to the building several times. They brought food and cigarettes for the Russians inside. On each occasion the Americans inspected the baskets of food and sent them in with a German policeman.

A 56-car train arrived bearing military government supplies for American forces and dependents in Berlin. It was the first such train to arrive in several days. British forces have received three trains in the last two days.

35 Planes Flown In.
The supply train passes the Russian checkpoint at Marienborn without incident. The Russian official there merely glanced at the train commander's papers and waved him on.

Under a recent Russian order, freight trains, either military or civilian, may arrive in Berlin on presentation of documents. The Russians demand the right to inspect freight trains leaving the city and both incoming and outgoing passenger trains. They have claimed Berlin is being "looted" by the Western zones.

After the Russian order to restrict traffic was announced, Gen. Clay arranged to bring in American supplies by air. Thirty-five planes arrived from Frankfurt yesterday and more were flown today. If freight trains continue to come in, the food shuttle by air can be discontinued.

Berlin has about 25,000 soldiers and civilians of France, Britain and (See BERLIN, Page A-3.)

Marines Face Charge After Red Detention

By the Associated Press

TSINGTAO, China, April 3.—Four United States Marines, released only Thursday after three months' captivity by Chinese Communists, were "in Dutch" again today.

Brig. Gen. G. C. Thomas, Marine commander, ordered the four arrested for going out of bounds (into Communist territory). The arrests complied with a Red demand that the Marines be disciplined. Sources close to the general reported, however, that they would not be dealt with harshly. Their imprisonment by the Communists was considered enough punishment. They were captured Christmas Day while on a duck hunting trip. The discipline, it was said, probably will be brief confinement to barracks and loss of a couple of months' pay.

The four are Capt. William L. Pollard, Fort Worth, Tex.; Pfc. Carl W. Dickerson, Olathe, Kan.; Pfc. Robert Hart, Pittsburgh; and Pfc. Thomas Kapodistria, Buffalo, N. Y.

Pollard said yesterday they were fired on without warning by the Reds, whom they had mistaken for Chinese Nationalist troops. Pfc. Charles J. Brayton, Jr., of Governors Island, N. Y., the fifth member of the hunting party, was wounded fatally.

Both Houses to Get New Bills For Draft and UMT Next Week

Will Differ From Forrestal's Proposals; Eisenhower Sees Both Steps Necessary

BULLETIN

Chairman Gurney of the Senate Armed Services Committee said today he hopes to have draft and UMT legislation on the Senate floor "before the end of next week." He made this announcement as the committee ended public hearings.

Bills to provide for temporary selective service and universal military training, but differing in several respects from the administration's suggestions, will be introduced in both houses of Congress next week.

The administration's version of an omnibus draft-UMT bill reached Capitol Hill yesterday as the Senate Armed Services Committee heard Gen. Eisenhower, retired Army Chief of Staff, urge adoption of both programs and offer to stay in uniform as long as needed.

The draft and UMT are needed to insure the preservation of the democratic way of life and to counter an ideology which "seeks to destroy democracy," Gen. Eisenhower said.

The administration proposal called for registration of men up to 45, with a limited draft of non-veterans between the ages of 19 and 26 for two years' service. Veterans would be drafted exempt if they have been on active duty 18 months since September 16, 1940. Those with 90 days' active duty would be exempt if (See DEFENSE, Page A-3.)

Italy Arms 330,000 To Prevent Violence In Election April 18

Shock Force of 150,000 Prepared for Action, Interior Chief Says

By the Associated Press

ROME, April 3.—The Italian government said today it has 330,000 armed men—including a shock force of 150,000—ready to strike swiftly against any attempt at election violence.

Mario Scelba, Minister of Interior, disclosed the preparations in a radio address to the Italian people. He sought to assure them against possible intimidation.

"Do not fear ghosts which have been called to keep you away from the polls," he said. "Freedom of vote will be guaranteed."

He said he had 150,000 men equipped with the most modern armament and prepared to meet force with force. They were recruited from the ranks of the police, army, navy and air corps.

In addition, another 180,000 troops will guard Italy's hundreds of voting places on election day, April 18, he said. Four men will be assigned to each voting booth.

Dunn Warns Italians.
At Taranto, American Ambassador James C. Dunn warned Italians against "propagandists who seek to turn the Italian people into the adventure of totalitarianism."

Speaking on the arrival of the 50th American ship carrying food and relief supplies to Italy, Mr. Dunn told 200 dock workers in the Communist-governed port city that "traditionally friendly relations between Italy and America will continue unimpaired."

Mr. Scelba told the voters in his radio address they must choose April 18 between "communism and democracy."

A government commission announced completion of study for broad reforms of the nation's security laws. Premier Alcide de Gasperi said the proposed social security aids were the hope of "a million old workers who, despite the improvements granted last year and this year, still count every mouthful of bread."

American Aid Praised.
In Venice, Merchant Marine Minister Paolo Capoa spoke in praise of American aid to Italy. A few listeners were drowned out by the acclaim of the majority of the listeners.

In Trieste Communist Leader Branko Babic said yesterday, "Any unilateral solution of the Trieste problem will lead to war." He said Trieste must remain a free territory strongly tied to Yugoslavia. The United States, Britain and France have proposed the return of Trieste to Italy.

In Rome workmen erected stands from which officials will review troops and military police formations tomorrow, when the government puts on a show of strength to celebrate reactivation of the Sardinian Grenadiers Infantry Division.

Seven persons were reported wounded by bombs and pistol fire after a Communist rally yesterday near Naples. Youths in Naples distributed handbills with Mussolini's portrait.

(See ITALY, Page A-2.)

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State Department's Skeleton Staff Is Ready to Function

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This Time the Baby Seems to Like It...

Howard U. Student Arrested on Charge Of Altering Grades

War Veteran Is Accused Of Accepting \$100; Nine Others Held Involved

A Howard University student has been arrested and charged with accepting \$100 to substitute a record card with a passing grade for one with a failing mark.

University and police officials immediately began an investigation to determine whether the grade change is widespread or is only an isolated case.

Detective Sgt. John Apostolides told reporters he was informed by university authorities that at least nine students were involved and that from 200 to 300 record cards of individual grades were missing from the university files. Police said the students were office employees of the university.

Howard's president, Dr. Mordecai Johnson, said, however, that the university so far has discovered only one case of an altered grade. He said "we are not sure ourselves of the full facts," but that the report of 200 to 300 missing cards appeared exaggerated.

Couldn't Produce Cards.
Dr. Johnson said the student had been taken by police last night to the place where he allegedly had concealed the cards after removing (See HOWARD, Page A-2.)

Greek Loyalists Recapture 5 Villages in Fierce Fighting

By the Associated Press

ATHENS, April 3.—Press dispatches said today fierce fighting is continuing in Northwestern Greece near the Albanian border. The dispatches said national forces have captured five villages in mountainous terrain about 35 miles northwest of Ioannina. Guerrilla losses were said to total more than 150.

It is estimated that between 1,000 and 1,200 rebels are holding positions in the mountainous area. Turkish and Greek Foreign Ministers conferred yesterday about their nations' problems.

A spokesman said Necmeddin Saldar, a Turkish and Constantin Tsalikaris of Greece also "discussed the present international situation."

Isacson Hits Denial of Passport To 'Greek Guerrilla' Parley

House Member Calls State Department's Action 'Frightening'

By the Associated Press

Representative Isacson of New York today termed as "frightening" the State Department's refusal to grant him a passport to attend an international conference at Paris.

"It is frightening to think that our administration refuses access to facts," the American Labor Party member said in New York. Mr. Isacson recently was elected to Congress with the support of Henry A. Wallace, third-party presidential aspirant.

The Bronx Representative, who applied for the passport March 25, informed the State Department that he planned to attend a conference on aid to Greece. The application was denied as "not in the interests" of the United States Government, a department spokesman disclosed last night.

"I sincerely hope that this action by the State Department will be held this month, was to 'learn the truth about the misery which exists in that unfortunate country.' The State Department said the (See ISACSON, Page A-2.)

Girl Who Saved Sister Despite Own Burns Dies

By the Associated Press

NEWARK, N. J., April 3.—Barbara De Couse, 7, died last night in City Hospital after saving the life of her little sister, Paula, 2 months old. Barbara was home minding her sister, police said, while their mother was out shopping. Her dress caught fire from the kitchen gas range.

She rolled on a bed, extinguishing the flames. The bed caught fire and Barbara snatched up Paula from her nearby crib and ran to the home of a neighbor.

Firemen put out the blaze. Deputy Chief Charles Manger said Barbara "showed more spunk than I've ever seen in my 25 years with the fire department."

House Vote on Repeal Of Oleo Tax Assured By Unusual Campaign

Public Pressure Gets 218 Names on Petition To Bring Bill to Floor

By Chalmers M. Roberts

Repeal of the oleomargarine taxes was a big step nearer today as a result of one of the most successful public pressure campaigns seen at the Capitol in many years.

Wrote a House roll call was in progress on the European Recovery Program yesterday afternoon the last of 218 House members to sign his name to a tax repeal discharge petition stepped to the House clerk's desk, pen in hand. He was Representative Lucas, Democrat, of Texas.

His signature assured the House of a vote, probably on April 26, on the repeal bill sponsored by another Democrat, Representative Rivers of South Carolina. Under House rules that is the earliest date the bill can come before the House.

Forced Out of Committee.
The successful drive for 218 signatures, a majority of the 435 House seats, forced the Rivers bill out of the Agriculture Committee, where it, along with 18 other repeal measures, was shelved last month.

It was the first successful petition in the Eightieth Congress. The list (See MARGARINE, Page A-2.)

Reynolds Is Rebuked By Chinese for Flight

By the Associated Press

NANKING, April 3.—Millionaire Milton Reynolds was rebuked sharply today by a committee of frowning Chinese scientists for the fouled up attempt to seek the world's highest mountain.

The Chicago manufacturer denied that he had made a quick, unscheduled flight over the Anne Machin range after canceling the aerial expedition to Western China.

He pleaded guilty of "omissions," however, for his failure to inform the Chinese scientists of the progress of the projected expedition—and he offered to fly eight of the scientists in an "all-Chinese expedition" over the Anne Machins.

Dr. A. T. Sahn, chairman of the committee which was openly hostile toward Mr. Reynolds, said the Chinese would flatly refuse to consider such a proposal until their colleagues—stranded in Peiping and Lanchow—could participate in a meeting.

Dr. Sahn did not protest to the American Embassy over the unscheduled flight but an Embassy representative accompanied Mr. Reynolds to the committee meeting.

Mr. Reynolds hurried here from Shanghai, where his ill-fated plane was under guard of Chinese soldiers.

Income Tax Increase Forecast if Security Demands Action

Martin and Knutson Agree Steps Must Be Taken To Keep Budget Balanced

By the Associated Press

Some 52,000,000 taxpayers, now figuring how to use \$4,800,000,000 they got in tax relief, were put on notice today to expect a swift tax boost if national security demands it.

The tax cut was put into law yesterday when Congress, by an overwhelming vote, overrode President Truman's veto. The President had said this reduction in Federal revenues "would undermine the soundness of Government finances."

Mr. Truman was in Williamsburg, Va., when Congress took final action. The President told reporters he had no comment. He said he had had his say in his veto message.

Disputing Mr. Truman's arguments against the tax cut, House Speaker Martin said:

"If defense needs increase beyond what has been outlined, we would, of course, take any necessary steps to keep a balanced budget. The Congress will provide adequate funds which, if properly spent, will give us full protection."

No Deficit Spending.
And Representative Knutson, Republican, of Minnesota, author of the tax-slashing bill, added:

"Should an emergency develop, the Congress will take such steps as are necessary because we do not propose to tolerate a return to deficit spending. I want to assure the country that, when it becomes necessary to increase taxes in order to maintain a balanced budget, the increases will be made without delay."

"We will cross that bridge when we come to it."

In the showdown between Congress and the President yesterday, the House passed the tax cut, 311 to 284—45 more than the two-thirds majority required to override a veto. The Senate rang up a 77-to-10 vote—19 to spare.

Deserting the President to vote for the Republican-backed bill were 82 House Democrats and 27 Senate Democrats.

New Forms To Be Printed.

The Government Printing Office immediately got the signal to start the presses rolling on new forms for reduced tax withholdings. These go into effect May 1.

This is the general tax picture now:
1. The 52,000,000 income taxpayers get reductions, effective last January 1, ranging from 100 per cent in the lowest income tax bracket to 5 per cent in the highest brackets. About 7,400,000 low income persons were (See TAXES, Page A-2.)

Government To Excuse Army Day Marchers

President Truman has authorized Government Departments and agencies to excuse employees who can be spared to participate in the Army Day parade Tuesday without affecting their annual leave.

Col. E. Bettelheim, parade chairman, said today:

Employees "in the vicinity of the parade" who wish to view it also may be excused, Col. Bettelheim said.

Several thousand reserve officers and member of veterans' organizations are expected to march in the parade, which is scheduled to start at the Capitol at 1:30 p.m. and finish about 3:15. Total number of marchers will be about 20,000, Col. Bettelheim said.

The President will review the parade from a stand on Constitution avenue.

Special Board's Report Blames Lewis for Strike

UMW Chief's Letter Indicates He's Ready For Court Fight

By James Y. Newton

President Truman today instructed Attorney General Clark to apply for a Federal court injunction against the 20-day-old, Nation-wide soft coal strike.

The court action, to be taken under the Taft-Hartley Act procedure for dealing with a "national emergency," will not be taken before Monday, a Justice Department spokesman said.

Mr. Truman acted after making public a report of his special board of inquiry into the coal industry pension dispute. The report placed responsibility for the strike solely on the shoulders of John L. Lewis, chief of the United Mine Workers.

Less than an hour earlier, Mr. Lewis had paved the way for the court battle with the Government by telling his 400,000 members that whether they return to work or not is a problem for them to decide as individuals.

Truman and Clark Confer

The President conferred with Mr. Clark shortly after returning from a two-day trip to Williamsburg, Va., during which he studied the coal crisis at the conference.

The White House announced the Attorney General had been told to apply for the injunction, which, if issued and obeyed by the mine workers, would stop the strike for 80 days.

A Justice Department aide said the work of preparing necessary papers and documents supporting the injunction petition would make it impossible to go to court today. There was the possibility, too, that strike-resisting action may be asked in a number of Federal courts as well as in the District Court here.

That would make possible a more complete crackdown on the strike, reaching out into the coal fields.

Mr. Lewis, in his letter today to all officers and members of the UMW, again disclaimed any responsibility for the strike or the part of the union for the strike.

Not Independent Action.
The board of inquiry report, blaming Mr. Lewis individually for causing the walkout, stated: